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## ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

You work hard for your money -- don't waste it! Put these easy energy-saving tips to work and save on your next bill!

- **Adjust Your Thermostats:** Set your thermostat between 56°F and 70°F during the winter. When away, set your thermostat to 58° F or try installing an automatic-setback or smart thermostat. Once programmed, it will automatically adjust the temperature settings for you.
- **Conserve Water:** Take a shorter shower! We like putting on two of our favorite songs and using them as a timer. When the singing is over, it's time to get out!
- **Laundry:** Use cold water in your rinse cycles and make sure to do full loads. Also, try air-drying your clothes instead of using the dryer!
- **Use Those Drapes:** When the temperature rises, keep the heat outside! When it's cold, leave drapes or curtains open in order to let in the sunshine.
- **Insulate Your Home:** Consider adding insulation to your home. Ceiling insulation, for example, can save up to 30 percent on fuel bills!

**NorthWestern Energy - Montana  
Residential Natural Gas Insulation – Existing Home  
Program Guidelines, Application Instructions & Incentive Amounts**

**Qualifications**

- NorthWestern Energy residential natural gas space heating customers are eligible for the program.
- Existing attic insulation may not exceed R-0 (see chart below).
- Basement wall, crawl space wall and floor may not have any existing insulation (see chart below).
- **NorthWestern Energy representatives may verify completed jobs prior to payment.**
- Work completed or materials purchased prior to July 1, 2017, will not be accepted under the program.
- This program is for existing homes. New construction does not qualify. Garages do not qualify. Radiant Barriers do not qualify.
- Details of the program, including incentives, are subject to change without prior notice. Incentive amounts are valid through June 30, 2018.

INCENTIVE AMOUNTS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018				
Energy Saving Measures	Beginning Insulation Value	Ending Insulation Value	Incentive Amount (Preferred Contractor)	Incentive Amount (Self-Installed or Non-Preferred Contractor)
Attic Insulation	R-0*	R-49+	\$0.75/sq.ft.	\$0.65/sq.ft.
Basement Wall Insulation (includes rim joist insulation)	R-0*	R-19+	\$0.65/sq.ft.	\$0.60/sq.ft.
Crawl Space Wall Insulation (includes rim joist insulation)**	R-0*	R-19+	\$0.65/sq.ft.	\$0.60/sq.ft.
Floor Insulation (above unconditioned space only)	R-0*	R-19+	\$0.60/sq.ft.	\$0.50/sq.ft.

\*R-0 = No Insulation (Removal of existing insulation does not qualify)

\*\*Insulating rim joists only does not qualify. Crawl space equals a foundation wall with no more than 5 vertical feet from the top of the footing to the sill plate (not including rim joist area).

**Steps to Participate**

1. Refer to the chart above for eligible energy saving measures.
  2. Identify which of these measures apply to your home. For assistance in determining the existing insulation levels in your home, please call (800) 823-5995.
  3. Obtain bids from several contractors.
  4. Hire the contractor of your choice or do the work yourself. Choosing a contractor from our "Preferred Contractor" list may entitle you to a higher incentive level (see above chart)
  5. Complete and sign the E+ Residential Natural Gas Insulation – Existing Home application. Your contractor (or you if you are self-installing) must indicate the beginning and ending R-value and initial next to each completed job. If using a preferred contractor, obtain contractor's signature.
  6. Attach originals or legible copies of the following:
    - Invoice from contractor or receipt for materials purchased.
    - Contractor invoice should include: invoice date; invoice number; name and address of contractor; address where work was performed; square footage insulated; R-value of insulation installed; and itemized cost of all installed materials.
    - Current NorthWestern Energy bill for address where insulation was installed.
- NOTE: Rebate is paid to current account holder.**
7. Submit completed application along with all documentation and current NorthWestern Energy bill.

**Mail to:** NorthWestern Energy  
Attn: R-EX-NG-I  
PO Box 1167  
Helena, MT 59624

**Email:**  
nwecommercialrebates@dnvgl.com

**Or fax to:** (800) 823-5885

**Questions? Call (800) 823-5995**

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